

# THE CROSSING

## Roxbury Community College

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#### ❖ *Roxbury Community College to Aid Students with Severe Disabilities through New Grant*

Roxbury Community College has been awarded a \$30,000 planning grant for the Inclusive Concurrent Enrollment (ICE) Partnership Program for Students with Disabilities. The purpose of the ICE grant is to plan and develop new partnerships between high schools and RCC to offer inclusive concurrent enrollment opportunities for students ages 18 to 22 with severe disabilities (students unable to achieve competency determination necessary to pass MCAS). The high school students will enroll in mainstream credit and non-credit courses.

#### ❖ *Dr. Barbara Savage Awarded Travel Grant to Attend International Conference*

Associate Professor of Mathematics and Mathematics Department Chair, Dr. Barbara Savage, has been awarded a \$2,500 National Science Foundation travel grant to attend the quadrennial International Congress on Mathematical Education in Seoul, South Korea from July 8 through 15. In addition to attending the conference, all grant awardees will participate in a US National Exhibition to the Korean Congress on the “features and characteristics of Mathematics education in the United States.”

#### ❖ *Roxbury Community College Graduate Wins Major Scholarship*

Tabitha Marie Johnson, who graduated with honors from Roxbury Community College last December, has been awarded a full Chancellor’s Scholarship for Excellence at UMass Boston. The Scholarship, valued at approximately \$5,000.00, is for the current spring semester. However, the Scholarship is potentially renewable as long as the student remains enrolled on a full-time basis and earns at least a 3.2 GPA.

### BLACK HISTORY MONTH EVENTS

#### ❖ *Justin Jones-Fosu Featured Speaker for Student Government Association*

RCC’s Student Government Association is excited to have Justin Jones-Fosu, an inspirational speaker, young-award winning entrepreneur, innovative author, and weekly radio host as a special guest speaker on February 16 at 11:30 a.m. on the second floor of the Student Center, Building Four. Light refreshments will be provided.

#### ❖ *Unique Collaboration Brings Work of Acclaimed Poet, Roxbury Repertory Theatre, and Boston Latin Academy Together*

Marshall Hughes and Boston Poet Laureate Sam Cornish will be interviewed by Karen Holmes-Ward of WCVB Boston-Channel 5 *CityLine* February 15 to discuss the upcoming theater performance, *The Cornish Project: An Apron Full of Beans*. *CityLine* will air the interview on February 19 at 12:00 noon. *The Cornish Project: An Apron Full of Beans*,

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featuring the poetry of Mr. Cornish, will have its Roxbury Community College Mainstage performance on February 29 at 7:00 p.m. The poetry touches on voices past and address the poet's thought on family, race, music, and civil rights among other topics. *An Apron Full of Beans* is adapted and directed by Marshall Hughes in collaboration with Roxbury Repertory Theatre, and Boston Latin Academy. Performances are free of charge. For additional information call 617.541.5380.

### ❖ *African American Quilts on Display in RCC Library*

This is the 6th year that the library has displayed a new selection of quilts created by **Michelle Howard Harrell** of the Early Childhood Education program and her friends. Those participating this year are **Brenda Jones, Jonetta Jones, Olga King, Mildred Maines** and **Celeste Janey**. The quilts are on display for African American History Month until March 15. Be sure to take time to come to the library and see them in person. Pictures of them are also online right [HERE](#). To see pictures of most of the 130 quilts that have been displayed over the last six years, see [HERE](#). Quilting is an important part of African American craft heritage. Take a look at some books on this subject in the RCC library.

### ❖ *Free Movies during Black History Month*

The following movies can be seen for free at Roxbury Community College's Mainstage. For additional information call 617.541.5380.

- **Crooklyn**, February 16, 11:30 a.m.
- **Purple Rain**, February 23, 11:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.